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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

The following is a response to the Official Communication dated August 10, 2009.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.